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February 4, 2015

Honorable R. Zachary Wasserman, Chair
Honorable Commissioners
San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission
455 Golden Gate Avenue, Suite 10600
San Francisco, CA 94102

RE: Support for Hanson/Lind Marine Sand Harvesting Application

Dear Chairman Wasserman and Commission Members,

The Port of San Francisco sends its support for the Lehigh Hanson/Lind Marine Inc. sand harvesting application currently under review by the Bay Conservation & Development Commission. As you know, commercial sand mining has occurred within the San Francisco Bay for more the 70 years. Hanson/Lind Marine Inc. currently uses sand from the San Francisco Bay and the western Bay Delta estuary on land leased primarily from the California State Lands Commission.

The Hanson/Lind Marine sand is used for construction activities throughout the greater San Francisco Bay Area and as a local resource helps lower public and private construction costs. Use of local sand resources reduces costs and associated transportation, environmental and greenhouse gas impacts of trucking material from out of the Bay Area. Lehigh Hanson/Lind Marine sand is critical to the Bay Area economy and the environment. We respectfully request that BCDC continue to allow this local sand harvesting at the historic levels requested in the permit application.

Thank you for considering our request and for your leadership on this issue. Please let us know if we can provide any additional information.

Sincerely,

Monique Moyer
Executive Director

cc: Larry Goldzband, Executive Director